
CONTRA COSTA

One county - limitless options for agriscience, agriculture, and food processing



Cornfields near Brentwood, Contra Costa County, California

- Capital of the Northern California Mega-Region™; easy access to SF, San Jose, Sacramento, and beyond.
- Goods movement options include shipping by water, rail, and truck; employee commute options are car, bus, and BART.
- 43.3% of Contra Costa adults have a bachelor's degree or higher; ongoing human capital investments in workforce training.
- Available property options zoned for agricultural (growers) and industrial (food processing, agriscience) companies.
- Adopted a cannabis ordinance for commercial cultivation, manufacturing, distribution, processing and sale of medical cannabis and medical cannabis products.
- Growers and ag researchers love our Mediterranean climate and loamy soil.

Name-Dropping

Just a small sampling of the industry leaders already thriving in Contra Costa.

Agriculture:



FROG HOLLOW FARM

Food Processing:



BASIC AMERICAN FOODS™



Agriscience and Research:



Resource List for Agriscience, Agriculture, & Food Processing

Government Agencies:

California Department of Food and Agriculture

USDA Value-Added Producer Grants

Contra Costa County Workforce Development Board

Non-Profit Organizations:

California FarmLink

California Farm Bureau

East Bay Economic Development Alliance

East Bay Leadership Council

Women in Agribusiness

Financing Options – For Profit Lenders:

Bank of the West

Mechanics Bank

California Bank of Commerce

Bay Area Development Company (SBA 504 loans)

Financing Options – Non-Profit Lenders:

Northern California Community Development Loan Fund

CDC Small Business Finance

I Bank California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank.

This list is not exclusive. Provided for information only. No endorsement is implied. Call to discuss your specific business needs, and get referrals tailored to your needs: Department of Conservation & Development, Office of Economic Development, Alyson Greenlee, Economic Development Manager, Phone: 925-655-2783

The County and Cities of
Contra Costa

Antioch

Brentwood

Clayton

Concord

Danville

El Cerrito

Hercules

Lafayette

Martinez

Moraga

Oakley

Orinda

Pinole

Pittsburg

Pleasant Hill

Richmond

San Pablo

San Ramon

Walnut Creek

Contra Costa County, including the communities of Alamo, Bay Point, Bethel Island, Blackhawk, Byron, Crockett, Discovery Bay, El Sobrante, Kensington, Knightsen, North Richmond, Pacheco, Port Costa, and Rodeo

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